



USS LST-1150

Builder: Chicago Bridge & Iron Company in Seneca, Illinois

Commissioned: 20 June 1945

Assigned to: LST Flotilla 34, Group 102, Division 203

Decommissioned: Her Coast Guard crew was replaced by a Navy crew on 19 April 1946

Disposition: Renamed USS *Sutter County* (LST-1150) on 1 July 1955; recommissioned on 16 April 1966; decommissioned 12 March 1971; struck from Naval Register on 15 September 1974; sold for scrap on 1 November 1975 by the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service.

Length: 327' 9" oa

Beam: 50'

Draft: 1' 6" bow, 7' 5" stern (unloaded); 8' 2" bow, 14' 1" stern (loaded -- at sea); 3' 1" bow, 9' 6" (loaded -- beaching)

Displacement: 1,625 (light); 4,080 (w/ full load of 2,100 tons)

Propulsion: 2 x General Motors 12-567 diesels, twin shafts/rudders

Range: 24,000 nm @ 9 knots

Top Speed: 11.6 knots

Complement: 111

Troops: 163

Armament: 8 x 40mm guns; twelve x 20mm guns

Commanding Officers:

LT J. F. Carpenter, USCGR: 20 June 1945 -
LT(jg) Norman Reimers
LT(jg) Richard N. Shellenberger, Jr., 7 February 1946 - 19 April 1946

History:

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The Coast Guard-manned USS *LST-1150* was laid down on 1 March 1945 at the Chicago Bridge & Iron Company of Seneca, Illinois. She was launched on 30 May 1945 and was ferried down the Mississippi River to New Orleans, Louisiana, where she was commissioned on 20 June 1945 under the command of LT J.F. Carpenter, USCGR.

After being outfitted she got underway for Galveston, Texas, where she underwent shakedown exercises from 29 June to 11 July 1945, returning to New Orleans on 12 July, for seven days of post shakedown availability. She then proceeded to Gulfport, Mississippi, on the 20th for loading 385 long tons of pontoons on her main deck and as side carry. On 23 July 1945 she was underway for Mobile, Alabama, where from July 23rd to the 29th she loaded 719 long tons of smoke pots on her tank deck, departing on 29 July for Pearl Harbor, via the Canal Zone and San Francisco, California, arriving at Pearl Harbor on 9 October 1945.

She departed Pearl Harbor on 17 October 1945 for Wakayama, Japan, via Okinawa, arriving there on 7 November 1945. From Wakayama, after unloading, she returned home to the United States, stopping at Osaka, Saipan, Pearl Harbor and San Francisco and arriving at San Diego, California, on 5 January 1946. Here her Coast Guard crew was removed and replaced by a Navy crew on 8 February 1946.

She was decommissioned on 13 September 1946 and was laid up in the Pacific Reserve Fleet. She was renamed the Sutter County (LST-1150) on 1 July 1955, recommissioned on 16 April 1966, and saw service in Vietnam. She was again decommissioned on 12 March 1971 and was laid up in the Atlantic Reserve Fleet. She was struck from the Naval Register on 15 September 1974 and was sold for scrap on 1 November 1975 by the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service.

Photographs:

None available

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